

ABSTRACT

WA-I-236

Mid-19th Century

Berwood Farm

Hagerstown Vicinity

private

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

WA-I-236
District 18
Map 25-38
Parcel 114

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Berwood

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

North of Route 60, the Leitersburg Pike, east of Marsh Pike.

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

☒ VICINITY OF Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mrs. Woodford T. Norment

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route # 5, Box 466

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21740

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Liber #: 343

Folio #: 204

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washington County Court House

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED < 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This farm is located at the end of a short private lane leading in a northwesterly direction from Maryland Route 60, the Leitersburg Pike in Washington County, Maryland. The house is situated near the base of a small slope and faces south.

The dwelling is a two story, five bay brick structure painted white and set on stone foundations. The facade of the house includes a recessed double porch which contains the two eastern bays. A one story brick addition extends to the rear.

Flemish bond brickwork is displayed at the west end of the front or south elevation while American or common bond with five rows of stretchers between header courses is present at other walls. Flat arches of brick are present above the windows and doors. Other decorative masonry includes brick dentil work at the cornice. Above this is a corbel.

Windows have narrow rounded frames which hold modern single pane double hung sashes. Some windows have older six over six pane sashes. Several windows are flanked with pairs of three panel shutters. Others have hinge pins in their frames indicating that shutters were present at one time.

The main entrance is located in the second bay from the west end of the front elevation. The six panel door is hung beneath a three light transom. Other entrances open from the double porch. This porch is supported by chamfered square posts and enclosed with a wooden balustrade.

The roof is sheathed with red asphalt shingles and extends beyond the end walls. Brick chimneys are located inside each gable end.

The interior of the house has a door and window trim with symmetrical molding and decorated corner blocks. Interior doors have carpenter locks.

Near the house is a small one story, five bay frame secondary dwelling with concrete block end walls. Also present is a brick out kitchen which appears contemporary with the house. Southwest of the dwelling is a frame bank barn with louvered ventilators in its end walls and a metal cupola, also for ventilation, centered in the roof.

The buildings appear to be in excellent condition and stand on a tract containing 60.08 acres.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 mid	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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This farm was for many years owned by the Trovinger family. Christopher Trovinger in his will dated August 16, 1820, left the property containing about 60 acres to his son Joseph, describing it as his place of residence (Will Liber C/129). The farm descended through the Trovinger family until 1934 when the heirs of Martin L. Trovinger sold it to Howard J. and V. B. Eckstine, who in 1959 conveyed it to Woodford T. and Bertha C. Norment. (IN19/566, 101/220, 196/90).

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Washington County Land Records.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 60.08 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

November 1976

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

TELEPHONE

791-3065

CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland21740

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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B. 1, 11

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1990, 15.

October 1991

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WA-8-235
Barn Hill
July 1921

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